

**CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
MEMORANDUM**

DATE: February 12, 2003

TO: City Council

FROM: Kevin S. Woodhouse, Environmental Management Coordinator

SUBJECT: FEBRUARY 18, 2003 STUDY SESSION—PRESENTATION BY THE
UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE ON SOUTH SAN
FRANCISCO BAY CARGILL SALT PONDS ACQUISITION AND
RESTORATION

PURPOSE OF STUDY SESSION

To hear a presentation from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service about the status of the Cargill Salt Ponds acquisition and related wetland restoration, flood management and public access plans.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

On February 6, 2003, the City received a letter (Attachment 1) from the California Coastal Conservancy requesting an opportunity for a brief informational presentation to the City Council on the South Bay salt pond restoration project. Clyde Morris, manager of the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, will provide a brief presentation covering land acquisition, Cargill's phase-out of salt production, initial stewardship by the landowners (California Department of Fish and Game and United States Fish and Wildlife Service) and long-term planning for wetland

restoration, flood management and public access, followed by questions from the City Council.

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Attachment: 1. Letter from the California Coastal Conservancy

cc: Mr. Clyde Morris, Manager
Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge

Mr. Tim Corrigan
California Coastal Conservancy